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MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

[1] Dr GRAYSON KIRK, pres, Columbia Univ, *addressing senior students*: "Fight always for an unbounded belief in the utmost freedom of intellectual inquiry. If that fight is ever given up, if there are no attempts to plow fresh ground or peer beyond the horizon, neither this nor any other society can long endure." . . . [2] Mrs OSCAR A AHLGREN, pres, Gen'l Federation of Women's Clubs, at annual convention in Denver: "Don't let anything interfere with your home life. If your husband objects to your doing club work—if you cannot make him see the advantages—then, don't do it!" . . . [3] ADLAI E STEVENSON: "The pattern of Soviet and Chinese aggression ever since the war has been the same—it is pressing here and there, in every vacuum and every soft spot in the free world. . . . These pressures against us will be incessant, and may be for as long as we live." . . . [4] EDWIN D CANHAM, editor, *Christian Science Monitor*: "I

Quote of the Week

Pres DWIGHT D EISENHOWER, in an address at Columbia Univ, *widely viewed as an indirect thrust at Sen Jos McCarthy*: "Through knowledge and understanding, we will drive from the temple of freedom all who seek to establish over us thought control—whether they are agents of a for'gn state or demagogues thirsty for personal power and public notice."

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believe we have forgotten that we free men are the true revolutionaries of modern history, and that the totalitarians—whether of the right or left—are reactionaries." . . . [5] Judge WINFRED B HALE, attending Tennessee Bar Ass'n convention, *commenting on McCarthy-Army hearings*: "They are just like the man who swallowed an egg. He was afraid to move on, in fear the egg might break; afraid to stand still in fear that it might hatch."

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Is the Administration planning controls to be applied to our economic life, in case of war?

The answer to that question is an unqualified yes. But that assertion of itself should cause no great consternation. Simple truth is that we have *been* preparing for conflict almost since the end of War II. Action was intensified with the invasion of S Korea 4 yrs ago.

It is the responsibility of those who will be called upon to maintain war production to prepare for any contingency. Active fighting by American forces in any part of the world will call for some adjustments here at home. This does not mean that there is one over-all control plan, blue-printed and ready for adoption, coincident with conflict. Actually there are a variety of plans, or controls, which will be applied as the need becomes apparent.

Nobody **WANTS** controls—least of all, perhaps, the Administration that will be called upon to apply them. But then, nobody wants wild-eyed inflation, either. So some controls are to be expected if war—let us say a limited involvement in Asia—comes to pass. A first step might well be the freezing of prices, wages, rents, with modification and adjustments forthcoming as rapidly as possible thereafter. Congress would, of course, have to vote authority to the President for this action, but by long tradition, the legislators uphold the Executive in such situations.

If your mind is turning to ration books and cue lines, be assured there is little expectation we'll need to resort to rationing at the consumer level short of all-out war. No one presently anticipates anything approaching even the moderate discomforts of War II. Remember, we now have a lot of new production capacity. On food-stuffs, in particular, we are in a very favorable position. Consider those accumulating surpluses! We have increased food production 50% in a period when population has risen only 18%.



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Charles F. Johnson



ACCIDENTS—1

Polio, whooping cough, scarlet fever, diphtheria, tuberculosis—these are diseases to strike dread into the heart of any parent. Yet, in the under-14 age group, the combined total of fatalities from all these diseases is less than half the number of deaths caused by accidents. And most accidents involving young children happen in the home.—ETHELYN BURNS, *Catholic Home Jnl.*

AGE—Youth—2

There are better ways of staying young than acting childish.—*Lone Star Scanner.*

BEAUTY—3

Dr Eleanor Crissey, N Y psychoanalyst, declares: "Beauty carries so many weakening disadvantages that a woman has a greater chance for happiness in youth as well as maturity if she is just average in attractiveness, not much above and not much below."—LESTER DAVID, "So You Want to be Beautiful!" *This Wk Mag*, 5-23-'54.

BIBLE—4

The Bible continues to be the best selling book. It is regarded as the most economical of all fire escapes.—*Lexington (Ky) Leader.*

Be careful how you live. You may be the only Bible some person ever reads.—WM J TOMS, *Detroit News.*

BUSINESS—5

Few persons were talking about a recession in '51 or '52, says the Chamber of Commerce of the U S, but the nat'l income for those 2 yrs was \$278 billion and \$292 billion respectively. The present level is in excess of \$300 billion.—*Public Relations Jnl.*

CHARACTER—6

You can mold a mannerism but you must chisel a character.—*Mutual Moments*, hm, Mutual Benefit Health & Accident Ass'n.

CHILDREN—7

Modern psychology tells us that it's bad to be an orphan, terrible to be an only child, damaging to be the youngest, crushing to be in the middle, and taxing to be the oldest. There seems no way out, except to be born an adult.—SYDNEY J HARRIS, *Chicago News.*

CHILDREN—Guidance—8

A parent's job is to be the person who can see over the hill.—DR JAS L HYMES, "Can't a Fellow Be Himself?" *Farm Jnl*, 5-'54.

COMMUNISM—9

If every Communist in America were to be converted or liquidated or otherwise disposed of tomorrow, the bigger part of our problem would still remain. — GRANVILLE HICKS, *Where We Came Out* (Viking).

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Washington has terrible problems which threaten at times to shake the very foundations of gov't. Before the Women's Nat'l Press Club dinner, Ike's valet went thru a wk of indecision on whether to recommend that the President wear a white or black dinner jacket. He called various organizations which had given dinners within the last few days to find out how many men had shown up in white and black. He found it ran about 50-50. Finally, the valet laid out both white and black and told the President either was proper. Ike settled it quickly. He flipped a coin. White won—and the President gave the matter no more thought.

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Add Army-McCarthy gags: "Join the Navy and see the world; join the Army and see the Senate." . . . They're now referring to it as "the Cohn Mutiny."

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Them as has gits. At the \$25-a-ticket French Embassy tea benefiting Indo-China relief, wealthy Mrs Jos E Davies, who probably owns more furs than anyone in town, won the blue fox capulet door prize. Last yr, at the Embassy's benefit for the American Red Cross, the Post Cereals and Texas oil heiress won a fur stole.

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DRINK—Drinking—10

The most valuable thing in the world is the human brain and the worst enemy of the brain in modern society is beverage alcohol.—Dr GEO A LITTLE, "It Is the Brain that Counts," *Scientific Temperance Jnl*, Spring '54.

FREEDOM—of Press—11

Freedom of press is one of humanity's priceless necessities. Yet today 38% of the world's peoples are served by the Communist-controlled press, and 68%, including the 38%, live in lands under press censorship.—WM B LIPPARD, editorial, *Missions*.

FRIENDSHIP—12

A friend is a person who listens attentively while you say nothing.—JESS DENIOUS, *Dodge City (Kans) Globe*.

GOVERNMENT—13

There are evil gov'ts and evil leaders. There are no evil peoples, no evil nations. Nor can we afford to be led astray by the concept that any gov't has the essential and changeless quality of goodness.—RENE WORMSER, *The Myth of the Good and Bad Nations* (Regnery).

HEALTH—Mental—14

Scientists have long known that some people are carriers of physical disease. Now a specialist in mental health education, Dr Alfred Kamm, tells us that some people are carriers of mental illness. These carriers may be children or adults, but wherever they go, their constant criticism, nagging, and belittling makes those about them sad, guilty, anxious, or bitter.—Nat'l Parent-Teacher.

Mining the Magazines



Are women reading less these days? Or is it, perhaps, that there are just too many periodicals for them to peruse? Latest suspension in the field of feminine journalism: *The Woman*, a 15-yr-old digest-size monthly, issued by Farrell Publishing Corp'n. This has been generally considered a modestly prospering property, but it is chiefly a newsstand jnl, and at 25 cts, the going has lately been pretty rough. Circulation guarantee was pegged at 130,000, but recent issues probably have fallen well below that figure. (Tom Farrell, publisher, reportedly approached NBC recently with a proposal to launch a women's-interest magazine, tying in with their popular television program, *Home*.)

Writing in *Soviet Magazine*, Moscow, D Y Leonov asserted that Dr Alfred C Kinsey's female studies have caused such a sensation in the U S that "any movie star and even the most celebrated gangster may envy his laurels." The article went on to say that U S magazines are "seriously calculating" Kinsey's chances as a candidate in the next presidential election! At Kinsey's Indiana Univ office an associate laughed heartily at the speculation; gave assurance that the Doctor has no political aspirations.

Walter Winchell rep'ts that of the 22 new tv fan mags launched this yr, only 2 remain alive.

De Volkskrant (Amsterdam) presents us with this clinical note: A physician, in Russia, prescribed leeches for a high party mbr, but the little creatures refused to work on their colleague.

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We are all for the scientific approach, devotion to duty, and such-like, but confess to being a trifle overawed by an assertion of a biologist in *American Scientist* (Spring, '54): "For more than 25 yrs I have looked at the little fruit fly, *Drosophila*, and each time I find fresh delight."

Now that we are about to conclude the 1st decade of the Atomic Age, a writer in *Editor & Publisher* makes the point that our nomenclature is already obsolete. We should, he suggests, call it the "hydratomic" age, thus combining hydrogen and atomic to give the many-headed atom its due.

One of the disconcerting consequences of our advancing era is that we run up against a lot of maladies no one ever heard of in simpler times. *Industrial Science & Engineering* introduces us to a new one, a result of our cloud-piercing propensities. It is "aerodontalgia" or high-altitude toothache.

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LIFE—Living—15

There are 8 requisites for living: *Health* enough to make work a pleasure; *wealth* enough to support your needs; *strength* to battle with difficulties, and overcome them; *grace* enough to confess your sins, and forsake them; *patience* enough to toil until some good is accomplished; *charity* enough to see some good in your neighbor; *faith* enough to make real the things of God; *hope* enough to remove all fears concerning the future.—*Pepper Box*.

LIVING—Standard—16

The American standard of living has been rising at about the same rate as industry's investment in more and better equipment for making things. More than 3 times as much is invested for each mfr'd job today as was invested 35 yrs ago—\$12,500 compared to \$4,000. And in the same period, "real wages" have more than doubled.—*Roebing Record*, hm, John A Roebing's Sons.

MARRIAGE—17

When I was (young) there was a song that went: "We will live on love and kisses, letting Cupid wash the dishes"—students, I have been married 35 yrs, and never once has Cupid done our dishes.—Dr LOUIS EVANS, addressing students at Pennsylvania State Univ, quoted by JAS W HOFFMAN, "Our Minister-a t-L a r g e," *Presbyterian Life*, 5-15-'54.

MEMORY—18

Forgetfulness is a virtue only when you can remember the right things to forget.—*Tit-Bits*, London.

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PRISON—Reform—19

No mfr'r would be so foolish as to dump his finished product out into the streets and make no attempt to market it and thus realize a profit on his investment. . . Yet society invests millions in penal plants, training programs and educational facilities, but when the human product leaves the assembly line, disregards and ignores it, makes no attempt to realize on its marketable value. . . Prison can only lay the groundwork for rehabilitation. It cannot follow the project thru to completion.—*Presidio*, publication of the Iowa State Penitentiary.

PROGRESS—20

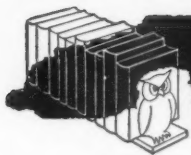
All progress is made by men of faith, who believe in what is right, and even more important, actually do the right in their private affairs.—THOS DREIER, publicist.

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The trouble with our age is that it is all signposts and no destinations.—LOUIS KRONENBERGER, *Company Manners* (Bobbs-Merrill).

PUBLIC OPINION—21

If we continue to define "public opinion" in terms of verbal reactions, without having an understanding of what a belief, or opinion, or attitude, or judgment is, many of our public opinion pollsters will find themselves in the position of the blind man, equipped with a high-powered microscope, in a dark cellar, looking for a black cat which isn't there—and regularly issuing "trend rep'ts" of the cat's progress.—DAVID KRECH, psychologist, quoted by STEWART HARRAL in *Public Relations Jnl*.



Book Briefs

You have noted that Brig Gen Chas A Lindberg has given the Library of Congress the original manuscript (17,000 sheets of paper) of his Pulitzer prize book, *The Spirit of St Louis*. One of our scouts, perusing the collection, rept's that it includes a pencilled note from the author's wife, Anne Morrow Lindberg, with this good counsel: "Keep to your style. Cut out all that is not in character, even when it is good. Your style is clipped, short sentences—precise, not careless. Imagine you are speaking to me, not writing at all."

Dr Alfred C Kinsey is telling colleagues at various scientific conferences of pressures exerted on Indiana Univ and on the Rockefeller Foundation to end their support of his studies in human sexuality. Actually, the doctor and his associates are not now in as vulnerable a position as they were in the earlier stages of research. Royalties from "the Kinsey Reports" go into a fund to further the developing program of sexual studies.

In the *New Yorker* (5-22-'54) Dwight MacDonald has a pretty exhaustive survey of a perennially popular field, the "how-to" books. It is inspired by a revised edition of *How-to-Do-it Books: A Selected Guide*, a 200-page descriptive bibliography compiled by Rob't E Kingery, of the N Y Public Library. MacDonald, who titles his

Former Vice President Alben W Barkley's autobiography recalls the yarn of the little boy who asked his father, "What's an ancestor?"

"Well," said the old man, "for example, I'm an ancestor."

"Yeah?" continued the kid. "Then how come people brag about them?"

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review, "Howtoism" has quite a jolly expedition, but as long as the sundry authors continue to collect royalties they probably can stand up under the satiric barbs.

John K Hutchens tells us that in Hollywood, not too long ago, Warner Bro's, as a promotion stunt, put on a preview of books it is making into films. Among the volumes flashed onto the screen, with jackets in resplendent color, was the classic, *Moby Dick*. The whale was pictured in black.

Dorothy Kilgallen is the most recent of a sizeable group of reporters to experience difficulty with the given name of Kentucky's late humorist: it was *Irvin S Cobb* (not Irwin or Irving). . . We are somewhat chagrined to discover that the new book by Eugene Burns, *Fishing for Women*, is not what our lecherous mind had assumed. It really is about fishing!

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"You've got to show me!"

This yr marks the 100th anniv of the birth of WM DUNCAN VANDIVER, a man whose chief claim to fame lies in the fact that his casual remark, made in the course of an informal speech, gave a sovereign state an enduring motto.

In 1902, while Mr Vandiver was serving a term as U S Representative from Missouri, he went, with other mbrs of the Naval Committee of the House, to inspect the Navy Yard at Phila. That evening the visitors were tendered a dinner at the Five O'clock Club, followed by the customary speeches in lighter vein. In the course of his talk, Mr Vandiver jocularly challenged a boastful statement made by a preceeding speaker, a Representative from Iowa. *This comment, in relation to the state from whence he came, "caught on", was widely quoted, and became the inseparable hall-mark of a Missourian. Here are his words:*

"I come from a state that raises corn and cotton, and cockleburs and Democrats. Frothy eloquence neither convinces nor satisfies me. I am from Missouri. You have got to show me!"

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READING—22

We must accustom ourselves to a reading public which is both too slothful and too restless to read until a sense of values is restored to it. — CYRIL CONNOLLY, *Horizon*.

RELIGION—23

A man really believes only as much religion as he is willing to apply to his daily living.—Dr HAROLD E GARNER, *Present Truth Messenger*.

RELIGION—Education—24

We teach history in our public schools. Why not religion?

Why shouldn't our youth know as much about the religions of the world as they do the various political, economic and social systems? The business of the public schools is to educate and that certainly should mean education about religion without, of course, any sectarian emphasis. Unless our schools do this they fall short of fulfilling their responsibility.—*Michigan Christian Advocate*.

RUSSIA—Communism—25

Nine of 11 Russian Cabinet ministers who held office in '36 have been shot. Five out of 7 presidents of the last Central Executive Committee, likewise. Forty-three of the 53 secretaries of the Communist Party Central Organization have been executed. Fifteen of 27 top Communists who drafted the '36 Constitution met the firing squad. Seventy out of 80 mbrs of the Soviet War Council, executed. Since 1917, three out of every 5 marshals of the Soviet Army have been shot as spies or traitors. All mbrs of Lenin's 1st Politburo, excepting only Jos Stalin, were executed.—*London Times*, quoting book, *What Happens to Communists*.

Pathways to the Past



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June 27—Jas Smithson, English chemist, d 125 yrs ago (1829). His fortune, dedicated to "the increase and diffusing of knowledge among men" provided funds to establish Smithsonian Institute, Washington, D C. . . 110 yrs ago (1844) a mob in Carthage, Ill, killed Jos Smith, founder of the Mormon Church. Murder of their leader caused Mormons to seek a new home in the West. . . 90 yrs ago (1864) battle of Kennesaw Mtn, Ga, ended in disastrous defeat for Gen Sherman. (Late Judge Landis, 1st czar of Baseball, born as the battle concluded, bore the name of Kennesaw Mountain.) . . . 70 yrs ago (1884) Bureau of Labor established in Dept of Interior (1st official recognition of our rapidly developing industry). . . This may surprise you: 1st television color demonstration was held in N Y C 25 yrs ago (1929).

June 28—40 yrs ago today (1914) a Serbian revolutionist assassinated Archduke Franz Ferdinand, heir to throne of Austro-Hungary, at Sarajevo, Bosnia. This incident led, indirectly, to War I. (Import of this incident was so little recognized at the time that U S newspapers carried banner heads, "Suffragettes March on Capitol!") . . . Just 5 yrs (and 5 million men) later, Treaty of Versailles ended War I.

June 29—*St Peter's Day*. . . 255 yrs ago (1699) Mass passed a law

to prevent spread of infectious diseases (1st such statute in New World). . . 35 yrs ago (1919) U S Prohibition (under War Prohibition Act of '18) went into effect.

June 30 — *St Paul's Day* (The feasts of St Peter and St Paul are commonly celebrated together on the 29th). . . 85 yrs ago (1869) ambulance service in U S hospitals begun, at Bellevue Hospital, N Y C. (The early vehicles were, of course, horse-drawn).

July 1—*Dominion Day in Canada*. . . *Beginning of U S fiscal yr*. . . 280 yrs ago (1674) Harvard College abolished its practice of whipping unruly scholars. . . 100 yrs ago (1854) a Land Office was opened in Kansas Territory by Fed'l gov't. The winning of the West had begun!. . . 80th anniversary (1874) of abduction of Chas B Ross, Germantown, Pa — 1st recorded kidnapping for ransom.

July 2—90 yrs ago (1864) Northern Pacific Railroad—1st projected line to the West—chartered by Congress.

July 3—200 yrs ago (1754) Geo Washington (derisively termed the "buckskin general") lost his 1st battle, surrendering Ft Necessity, near Uniontown, Pa, to French and Indians. . . 110 yrs ago (1844) U S and China signed 1st trade treaty.

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"Of all things!"

Wm White, pres of N Y Central, and Rob't R Young, contender for control of the road, recently presented their respective positions on a *Meet the Press* television program. Order of appearance was determined by tossing a coin. Mr Young called "tail" and won. Later, he won 2 successive tests for photographers. "That's what you call 'extra-sensory perception'," he explained. "It's very useful."

Whether Mr Young's powers extend to an accurate forecast of recent stockholder action remains to be seen as these lines are written. But the reality of "extra-sensory perception" is accepted (somewhat reluctantly, we must admit) by psychologists and other students of human behavior. The new science, emerging from its "fortune-telling" and "parlor-game" phases, now has its own professional organ, *The Journal of Parapsychology*, and is attaining scientific respectability.

This progress is largely a result of researches conducted by Drs Wm McDougall and Jos B Rhine who, together, set up the world's 1st laboratory of parapsychology at Duke Univ. Their purpose was to test, under controlled conditions, the faculty that Rhine calls "extra-sensory perception" — the ability of the mind to perceive without employing sensory perception. Dr Rhine's books, *New Frontiers of the Mind* and *The Reach of the Mind*, present these experiments to date in detail.

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SAFETY—Safe Driving—26

Many people who now drive so fast past a schoolhouse are the very same ones who were so slow when they passed thru it.—*Country Gentleman*.

SCIENCE—27

Science . . . is a natural and integral part of man's whole life, an activity which, at base, is a blend of logic, intuition, art and belief. It has been refined into an instrument of great beauty and precision by the few, but this science of the few is merely the distillation of the experience of the many. As a natural social activity of man, science belongs to all men. —WARREN WEAVER, *Argonaut*.

SECURITY—28

Modern man has tended to concentrate almost exclusively on economic security and to pursue it at times with the fervor of religious devotion.—Catholic Bishops of the U S in a joint statement, quoted in *Life Today*.

SORROW—29

Sorrow teaches us that our ideals need to send down deep roots into the world of reality, and then to take the width of heaven for their growing space.—BONARO W OVERSTREET, "The Uses of Sorrow," *Nat'l Parent-Teacher*, 5-54.

SPEECH—Speaking—30

New Jersey's governor, Rob't B Meyner, confesses he's getting a little concerned about the reputation he's getting as a talker. One restaurant owner, he said, put a candid picture of him with his mouth open in a window immediately below a sign reading: "Open 24 Hours a Day."—*QUOTE Washington Bureau*.

SUBVERSION—31

The web of subversion . . . is the domestic extension of an internat'l organism. The spinning of the web and the defense against it are campaigns in a vast and continuing struggle that will decide what kind of a world mankind is to live in. There is no quick and easy solution. — JAMES BURNHAM, *The Web of Subversion* (John Day).

SUCCESS—32

If at first you don't succeed, you're running about average.—M H ALDERSON, *Mt Vernon* (Mo) *Record*.

THRIFT—33

A penny saved is more than a penny earned. You've got to figure taxes in there somewhere.—DICK CONWAY, *London* (Ohio) *Press*.

VISION—34

To play great music you must keep your eyes on a distant star.—GEO ENESCO, composer & violinist, *Alpha Xi Delta*.

WEALTH—Poverty—35

Poverty has its drawbacks, but it has enabled many a man to have a good reputation he wouldn't have had if he had been wealthy. — HENRY A COURTNEY, *Country Gentleman*.

WORK—36

Almost 75 per cent of the male patients who come to psychiatrists are suffering from an incapacitating impairment of their satisfaction in work or their ability to work.—Dr KARL MENNINGER, psychiatrist.

In Brief

Gossip in legal circles is that the Supreme Ct justices were not wholly in accord on the segregation interpretation. Only Chief Justice Warren's persuasiveness convinced dissenters of the psychological importance of a unanimous decision. * It is worth noting, in this age of automation, that one of the big industrial firms is sending its clerical force back to school to improve calligraphy. "Our primary recording instrument," says a spokesman, "is still the common pen."

Are Americans about ready to grow their own coffee? Maybe. Director of Washington's Botanic Gardens had a surplus of coffee seedlings; offered these sprouts to residents of the District. More than 300 quickly applied.

Prohibition interests must be given an "A" for effort in current (Bryson) bill to outlaw all advertising of alcoholic beverages. This is 6th time in 7 yrs this particular issue has been before congressional committee. In 20 yr's of effort, no regulatory bill of this type has ever reached the House floor—but the Prohibitionists keep trying!

Metropolitan papers are giving practically no space to \$500,000 damage suit brought by Quentin Reynolds against Westbrook Pegler. "Two prima donnas on parade," is usual verdict. * Parents will know where 4 million children are at least part of the summer. That is estimate of this yr's camp attendance.

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Good Stories.....

you can use

For wks the destitute concert violinist, shivering in his small tenement flat, had enviously watched the daily arrival of a very bad neighborhood fiddler who played in the courtyard below. When the bad violinist sawed out his wretched tunes, windows in the tenement opened and tenants threw out wads of money. One day the concert violinist tried it, played very brilliantly, but only collected 30c. Completely bewildered, he asked the neighborhood fiddler his secret. "Simple," was the casual reply. "You also got to be a book-maker."—*Tracks*, hm, Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. a

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Thos Huxley, the great scientist and grandfather of Dr Julian Huxley and Aldous Huxley, tho he had a mind crammed with scientific fact, was one of the most absentminded men about ordinary things.

He arrived at Euston (London) once for an important lecture. The train was late. So he jumped into a cab and shouted, "Hurry! At top speed!"

As they raced along, Huxley realized that he did not know where he had to go, so shouted to the driver, "Cabby, d'you know where I want to go?"

"No, your honor," said the cabby, "but I'm driving as fast as I can!"—*Tit-Bits*, London. b

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I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

OLLIE M JAMES

Some yrs ago it used to be considered the pinnacle of vulgar affluence to light a cigar with a dollar bill. We did hear of one such fellow being put in his place, tho. A guy at the next table called him a cheap-skate and asked the waiter to bring a blank check. This check he made out for \$100,000, payable to "cash". Then, with a very lordly gesture, our friend lighted his cigar with it. —*Cincinnati Enquirer*.

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A native from the mountains of a remote section of the country was called by his local draft board for examination and he was being put through the usual course of questions.

"Have you ever had any previous military experience?" asked the head of the board.

"Lordy, yes," replied the native. "I've been shot at 10 times before they ever was a war going on."—DAN BENNETT. c

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A bewildered daughter asked, "What did daddy mean that he didn't want me to get married on account of my youth? I'm 26."

"You misunderstood him, dear," explained her mother. "Your youth is a jerk, and besides he owes your father ten dollars." — *Assembler*, hm, Chrysler Corp'n. d

Wise

Cracks

He approached the judge with all kinds of politeness. "Your lordship, I'd like to get out of jury duty," he said.

"For what reason?" asked the judge.

"I can only hear with one ear," was the excuse offered.

The judge smiled. "It's all right," he said. "We hear only one side of a case at a time."—*Christian Observer*. e

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Jim happened to meet the minister on the street one day, and during the conversation told him of all the troubles he had had during the past yr. He wound up with: "I tell you right now, preacher, it's enough to make a man lose his religion."

"Seems to me, Jim," the minister told him quietly, "it's enough to make a man use his religion."—*Imp*. f

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A hobo, justifying his vagrant life to an energetic business man, said: "Listen, pal! I ain't one of your depression tramps, I was a tramp in the boom!" — *Hjemmet* (Denmark). g

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The wife of a well-known Democrat says her 6-yr-old observed happily when the Army-McCarthy hearings were temporarily recessed: "Mommy, all the television programs I like best are back on now that the herrings are gone!" — *Quote Washington Bureau*. h

An appendix is what you have out before the doctor decides it is your gall bladder.—*Banking*.

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The person who knows exactly how the world should be run would be scared silly if it were turned over to him.—*Grit*.

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There are so many folks suffering from bone trouble: too much of it in the head, and too little in the back.—*Cave City (Ky) Progress*.

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The chief objection to turning the other cheek is that it leaves the chin wide open.—*Town Jnl*.

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A small town is the place where a fellow with a black eye doesn't have to explain to people; they know.—*Siloam Springs (Ark) Herald & Democrat*.

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An isolationist is one who is against supporting the rest of the world in the style to which we are accustomed. — *P-K Sideliner, hm, Peter Kuntz Co*.

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The trouble with most feminine opinions is that they are expressed in so many words. — *Kenneth L Krichbaum, Country Gentleman*.

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We have too many unwritten laws and not enough unbroken ones. — *Scottsbluff (Neb) World-Herald*.

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Meetings were held all over Russia to explain Malenkov's promise of more consumer goods for the people. At one such meeting, a worker arose and asked the communist orator, "Can you tell us what has happened to the white flour?"

"Oh, yes," stammered the speaker. "The white flour. What is your name?"

"Petrov."

"Well, Comrade Petrov, the hr is late. I will answer your question next time."

At the next meeting a small man in the rear of the room stood up. "I know, I know," said the speaker. "You want to know what's happened to the white flour."

"No, comrade. I want to know what's happened to Comrade Petrov?"—ROGER ALLEN, *Grand Rapids (Mich) Press*.

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A theological student was sent one Sunday to supply a vacant pulpit in a certain town. Later he rec'd a copy of the wkly paper from that town in which this item appeared: "Rev So-and-so of the senior class of Yale Seminary supplied the pulpit at the Congregational Church last Sunday, and the church will now be closed 3 wks for repairs."—*American Baptist*.

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The country wkly editor called at the home of Uncle John Reynolds, the county's oldest resident, to interview him on the occasion of his 102nd birthday.

"To what do you attribute your great age?" asked the editor.

"It's very simple," repl'd Uncle John. "I've been taking vitamin tablets ever since I was 99."—*Country Gentleman*.

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Sen Rob't S Kerr (D-Okla) tells about a ranchman from a bone-dry area back home who came to Washington for drought relief. He left instructions with his small son to water the tomato plants every day, without fail.

An air mail special del'y letter came from the son: "I'm sorry, Daddy, but I can't water the tomato plants. It has rained so hard, and the garden is so muddy it ruins my shoes to get to them!"—*QUOTE Washington Bureau*.

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Two women, dining in a restaurant, were discussing a 3rd who had just made her entrance. "Her husband was a judge, wasn't he?" asked one.

"Everybody thought so," repl'd the other, "until he married her."—*Capper's Wkly*.

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Reading the poor marks on his son's report card, a father was very angry.

"Don't be so hard on him, dear," said his wife, soothingly. "I know the boy's trying, and . . ."

"Oh, it isn't the marks I mind so much," interrupted the father. "It's the deception. Why the dickens does he have to look so bright?"—*Tit-Bits*, London.

School children were having a holiday because of a teachers' institute. Seven-yr-old Jimmy announced it this way: "No school tomorrow. The teachers are going on an innocent toot."—*Automotive Dealer News.* n

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The bridegroom was discussing his third marriage with the pastor: "Yes, she was my childhood sweetheart and I certainly should have married her first. Would have saved the cost of two funerals." — HERMANN LIST, quoted in *Lies mit!* Cologne (QUOTE translation). o



Illuminating

Research indicates that it would take 137,000 fireflies to produce as much light as a 60-watt bulb.—News item.

More fascinating than to learn

How many fireflies (lots)
Must diligently glow and burn
To equal sixty watts,

More useful than the knowledge
that,

Much though it might be pleasurable,
Their lighting of a house or flat
Is not exactly feasible,

Far more revealing, far above
Such news (it makes us dizzy)
Is this faint indication of
How scientists keep busy.

You can't say servicemen don't respect their officers, even if they happen to be women. One sailor was overheard as he picked up a handkerchief dropped by a WAVE lieutenant. He handed it back to her and said, "You dropped this, toots, sir." — *Tracks*, hm, Chesapeake & Ohio Ry. p

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"I'm sorry to phone you at the office," said the wife, "but you have a special delivery letter, which just arrived, marked 'Private and Personal'."

"Okay," repl'd her husband, "What does it say?"—*Great Northern Goat*, hm, Great Northern Ry. q

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A woman who had taken her small nephew downtown was having trouble keeping up with him as he ran ahead of her and crossed the streets thru the traffic. "Please slow down," she begged. "What would I tell your mother if a car suddenly came around a corner and killed you?"

"Well," he suggested reasonably, "you could begin by telling her I was dead."—*Dixie Roto Mag.* r

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Six-yr-old Johnny complained to his parents that he couldn't see the blackbd at school. So they hurried him to an eye specialist, who found nothing wrong with the boy's eyes.

"Why can't you see the blackbd?" he asked, puzzled.

"Because," spoke up little Johnny, "a big boy sits right in front of me."—E E KENYON, *American Wkly.* s

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Quote-ettes

Miss DOROTHY WHEELER, VA director of Nursing Services at Kansas City, *complaining that too many nurses are getting married these days*: "I'm not against love and romance, but there are times when I wish the lad with the bow and arrow would take a sabbatical."

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Maj Gen HARRY VAUGHAN, former military aide to Harry S Truman, *ans'g a reporter's observation that he had lost weight*: "Naturally I'm thinner; we don't live so high on the hog these days!"

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